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July 22, 2008

MEMO ENDORSED

Honorable Kevin Nathaniel Fox, U.S.M.J. United States Courthouse, Room 530 500 Pearl Street New York City, NY 10007-1312

> RE: Stuart Bitterman, M.D. v. Berkshire Life

> > **Insurance Company of America** Civil Action No.: 07-cv-11061 MDMC File No. B0566-1005

Dear Judge Fox:

Please be advised that our office represents defendant, Berkshire Life Insurance Company of America in connection with the above matter. We acknowledge receipt of Your Honor's endorsed order dated July 18, 2008, resetting the settlement conference from September 30 to September 24, 2008, at 10:30 a.m. On behalf of Berkshire Life, we respectfully request Your Honor to reschedule the settlement conference in this cause.

The reason for our request is that I will be unavailable for the settlement conference. I am scheduled to attend the International Claim Association annual meeting to be conducted in California leaving Saturday, September 20 and returning Wednesday, September 24th. During the International Claim Association annual meeting, I am scheduled to deliver a speech on Tuesday, September 23, and as such my attendance is necessary. As I will be traveling on the day set for the conference to return home, I will not be available.

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The pettlement conference will be held on September 3, 2008, at 10:30 a.m.

SO ORDERED:

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May we respectfully request Your Honor's kind courtesy in rescheduling the settlement conference in this regard.

Respectfully submitted,

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